

Abstract

5 The present invention relates to business intelligence systems. An
enterprise's business intelligence may be embodied in business intelligence
artefacts such as reports, queries, analytical documents, spreadsheets, etc.
Over time, many of these documents are produced. The same artefacts
may be produced by different departments in an enterprise. This is an
inefficient use of resources. Further, when a user is producing an artefact,
10 they add their own knowledge to the artefact (in the form of table names,
column names, etc. that they have selected themselves using their business
knowledge). This knowledge is not accessible. The present invention
provides a system and method which enables this knowledge to be
accessed, by analysing the artefacts which are produced by an enterprise
15 and producing metadata which can be queried to access the knowledge
locked up in the artefacts.